

# The Acorn

THE VOICE OF  WORCESTER STATE COLLEGE

VOL. XXII

WORCESTER STATE COLLEGE

DECEMBER 13, 1963

## Christmas Greetings



**MEMBERS OF DRAMATICS CLUB**—The Dramatics Club will present its annual play January 9th. Some of the members of the cast are: (l. to r.) Betty Brierly, Carol Mulvihill, Jane Mahoney, James Melanson, Ed Banks, and Geoffrey Ovington.

### Dramatic Club To Present "The Curious Savage," Thurs., Jan. 9

by DONNA G. FORGUES  
of the Acorn Staff

**The Curious Savage** by John Patrick will be presented by the Dramatic Club on Thursday, January 9 at 8:15 P.M. The play is an entertaining, fanciful comedy concerning men and women who are in a sanatorium because they cannot adjust themselves to life. The quick action of the comedy is concerned with all sorts of ridiculous mishaps. Each character is clearly portrayed and the play itself teaches a lesson in compassion and understanding of people.

Students taking part in the production are Carol Mulvihill, Ann McGreevy, Jane Mahoney, Sue Larson, Paula Locke, and Betty Brierly. Male cast members are Edlow Banks, Michael Bartholomew, Paul Marcoux, James Melanson and Geoffrey Ovington.

The prompter is Mary Connolly, and the Stage Manager is Betty Ann Fagnoli. Properties are managed by Armande Beauregard and Dorothy Forgues; the Lighting Management is done by Rob-

Turn to **PLAY** Page 2

### Christmas Concert To Be Presented Today

by CYTHNIA CARBONE  
of the Acorn Staff

Today, the choir will present its annual Christmas Concert third hour in the college gymnasium. The entire student body and faculty will be there to join together in commemorating the coming of Christ.

A narration on the Christmas story will be read by Dr. Carleton Saunders. Interspersed with this will be appropriate selections by the Choir, Glee Club, and Chorale.

The newly formed Girls Glee Club under the fine direction of Miss Norton will present four selections. These will include, "Christmas Roundelay," "Light, Light the Candle," and a lovely Appalachian carol, "Jesus, Jesus, Rest Your Head."

#### Highlights

The Choir will present several

traditional numbers: "O Come, All Ye Faithful," and "Rejoice and Sing." Miss Norton has arranged a plaintive French carol, "The Sleep of the Child Jesus," which will be presented by the Choir.

A highlight of the program will be a beautiful Kentucky ballad, the "Cherry Tree Carol," convincingly sung by Maureen Misslin, Junior Secondary III.

Turn to **CONCERT**, Page 2



**DURING REHEARSAL** — Mr. Carpenter rehearses the choir for today's Christmas Concert.



The ACORN is a student publication of the State College at Worcester, Massachusetts. It is printed by Saltus Press located at 41 Austin Street, Worcester, Massachusetts.

Editor-in-Chief John F. Monfredo  
 Assistant Editors Anne-Marie Bernier, Pauline McKeon  
 Treasurer Peter Sakalowsky  
 Secretary Roberta Chicoine  
 Faculty Advisor Dr. Carleton E. Saunders  
 Assistant Faculty Advisor Mr. Joseph J. Foley  
 Staff: Donna Abruzzese, Elaine Anderson, Neil Cronin, Cynthia Carbone, Mary Ann Deletti, Jane O'Donnell, Judy Pilibosian, Maureen Reynolds, Mary Savage, Dorothy Forgues, Rosalind Glenn, Nancy Gardner, Nancy Rainis, Pamela Dumas.  
 Cartoonist Harry Efthim  
 Poetry Ruth Sadowski  
 Typists Paulette Archambault, Nancy San Clemente  
 Copywriter Geraldine Kiddiris  
 Circulation Judy Johnson, Maryann Ikalainen, Jean Ryan, Kathy Scales, Kathy Proko and Nan Prescott

The Acorn is an Independent Newspaper, Not a Political Organ, and Maintains What It Believes To Be the Rights of All Students All the Time.

## Suggestions for the Winter Carnival

One month ago, at the request of the Student Advisory Council, the Editorial Board of the ACORN submitted to the Council a list of specific examples of improvements regarding the program of the Winter Carnival. The ACORN felt these improvements were necessary for the Council to carry out its responsibilities. A large part of these suggestions concerned the Winter Carnival. We now feel that the student body should know of these suggestions. We urge you to read the list carefully, and to express your opinion either to the ACORN, or to your Student Council Representative.

### I. Skits

- Standards for skit judgement should be published.
- Material allowed to be used in the skits should be defined.
- Regulations should be published:
  - Posted on bulletin boards at least one month in advance.
  - ACORN will publish all regulations.

### II. Winter Carnival

- It should be the highlight of the school year, as at other schools.
- Much more publicity is needed; at least three weeks ahead of time.
- Queen should be chosen at the beginning of the week, not the last hour.
- Class jobs should be spelled out to facilitate carrying out responsibilities.
- There should be a more organized and varied program with a Council member in complete charge of each event.
- Snow Sculpture
  - Sculptures should be designated by number, not by class during judging.
  - At least one Council member should be in charge of Snow Sculpture to ensure minimum number of participants.
- Jazz Concert and Ball
  - Should be completely run by the Council.
- Activities During the Week
  - There should be a complete list of events with the time and place given.
  - There should be individual publicity of each event.

We hope that the Administration and the student body will support the ideas set forth by the Student Council.

## CHRISTMAS – 1963

"Don't let it be forgot,

That once there was a spot,

For one brief shining moment

That was known as Camelot."

"A time to be born, and a time to die; . . . A time to kill, and a time to heal . . . A time to mourn and a time to dance; . . . A time to love, and a time to hate; . . . A time for war, and a time for Peace."

Christmas should be a time of birth, healing, dancing, loving, and Peace. Christmas, 1963 is a time of death, mourning, hate, and war. This Christmas Americans must cease to ask WHY. We must seek, instead, the courage and faith to finish the job. "A great leader is dead; a great nation must move on"—Lyndon Baines Johnson.

Americans know that John F. Kennedy died that men might live in Peace. Two thousand years ago Christ was born that men might live in Peace. We know that John F. Kennedy will not be the last man to give his life for this goal. He cannot be. Man can never stop defending Peace. As long as life exists on the earth, this supreme sacrifice will be made.

Christmas is a time of giving. If every American, this Christmas, will dedicate himself to Peace, and pledge to work constantly for it, the United States, and the world, will have found the answer to WHY.

". . . this will not be finished in the first one hundred days. Nor will it be finished in the first one thousand days, nor in the life of this administration, nor even perhaps in our lifetime on this planet. BUT LET US BEGIN."

Let us after two thousand years show concrete evidence that the song of the angels in the sky above the fields of Bethlehem was more than a hope. Let us make it a reality.

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth Peace, good will toward men."

### CONCERT (Con't from page 1)

Adding to the musical repertoire will be the Chorale, a smaller, mixed ensemble under the direction of Mr. Carpenter. In keeping with the season, the Chorale will present numbers centering on the traditional. Their selections will include, "How Far Is It to Bethlehem," "Still, Still, Still," and a lovely Yorkshire carol, "We've Been a While a-Wondering."

### Broadcast

The Christmas program will open with a processional "Adeste Fidelis" by the combined vocal groups. The familiar and moving "Silent Night," featuring several solo voices, will close the program.

Many of us, Faculty and students alike, enjoy the radio broadcast of the WSC Christmas concert on Station WTAG each year. This year the broadcast will take place at 8:05 Friday evening.

### PLAY (con't from page 1)

ert Kelley. Dorothy Bradiotis and Rosalind Glenn are in charge of publicity. **The Curious Savage** is being presented under the direction of Miss Katherine O'Donnell, faculty advisor of The Dramatic Club.

The play will be presented in the school auditorium, and is open to the students and friends of Worcester State College.



## A Christmas Message from the President

A martyr is "One who dies or suffers for a principle or sacrifices all for a cause—such as the cause of freedom."

The martyrdom of our late President John Fitzgerald Kennedy just prior to the Christmas season focuses our attention on the life of Christ for whom the feast of Christmas is celebrated.

Although Christmas is a season of great joy because it renews the promises of eternal salvation, it has for us a hidden sadness because we know of the future martyrdom of the Christ Child.

The philosopher tells us that martyrdom is not wasted. It is sometimes necessary to develop a great cause. It stresses the real values of brotherhood and faith which human beings sometimes tend to forget.

Christ died to save the human race. History will tell us the ultimate reason for the death of John Fitzgerald Kennedy. Today we know he has not died in vain. We know that the time of his martyrdom so close to the season of Christmas must have a significance.

May we pray that the tragedy and torment of Christ be applied to binding us together in greater peace and unity. May we realize the ways of the Lord are inscrutable. May the human race continue to move toward greater spirituality. May we gain greater respect for each other's beliefs and backgrounds.

May the thought of sacrifices in the past continue to live in our minds and on our lips to help us meditate as to how we can as individuals serve humanity with greater zeal. May our individual philosophy tend to become more altruistic in our daily efforts. May our joy in the celebration of Christmas be tempered with a realization that we have obligations to our country, humanity, and God.

**President Eugene Sullivan.**



**WORKING ON CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS**—Two volunteers from the Junior Class who are making Christmas decorations are: Dorothy Bratiotis (Jr. Sec. V) and Geraldine Kidderis (Jr. El. III). The Christmas decorations are to be put up around the school.



**S. N. E. A. TOY DRIVE** — A toy drive was sponsored by S. N. E. A. All the toys will be given to needy children in the Worcester area. Members of the Toy Drive committee are: (l. to r.) Elaine Holt, Linda Morse, Michael Mealey, Susan Lombard, and Jean Maskie.

## Frosh Prom Committees Organized

Freshmen anticipating their semi-formal prom, "Fantasy in Frost," can expect a dazzling fulfillment on January 17 of the plans now being formulated. Co-ordinating the efforts of the various committees are social chairmen, Jan Erickson and Ellen Donahue.

Decoration chairman Jim Sawyer, following many suggestions from special consultant, Morris Brule, aims at a complete transformation of the gym. He assures entire coverage of the walls by structures consisting of glittering flame paper. The shimmering winter theme will be carried out in a blue and white color scheme with occasional touches of gold.

### Queen Selection

The glittering trail of frost will drift into the lobby too. Directors there, Pam Dumas and Sharon Macklin, will continue the motif by featuring a mural spanning across the cafeteria windows.

A final swirl of pearly blue will enhance the cover of the dance orders selected by Pam Ferraro of the prom committee.

Ann Monson and Tom Dickie are in charge of band arrangements. They are trying to secure Eddy Sufelt to provide music for the affair.

Other freshmen are working on different phases of prom preparations also. Lynn Brodeur and Ann Brierly head the refreshment committee, and Sharon Quinn is handling the details of invitations.

The queen will be selected from the contestants chosen in the eleven sections. Two girls from each division may compete.

## Christmas Comes to W. S. C.

Throughout the past week, signs of Christmas have been appearing in the rooms and halls of W.S.C. Members of the Junior Class have undertaken the task of spreading Yuletide cheer

among the students and faculty. Decorations will include six foot modernistic Christmas trees, ribbon mobiles, and the traditional Christmas tree in the foyer of the new building. Santa's merry helpers include Dot Butiotis, Armande Beauregard, Bill Glennon and Gerry Kidderis.



# The Woes of Practice Teaching

**Editor's Note:** This composition was written for a student teacher who is now out practice teaching. The student who wrote the composition has a bad habit of always talking in class.

Why you shouldn't talk in class or should?

In class you should always pay attention and not bother the others so that you may learn the subject you are in their to learn and so that you don't disturb the teacher also. When you talk in class there is always a good reason for it and even if it doesn't seem to be important to the teacher it is usually very important to the student. Maybe it will mean whether or not you ever go out with a boy or not and also it may mean having to stay home or not on Friday night.

If you don't listen in class you may not learn things like that Christopher Columbus discovered America, but as you know Christopher Columbus did not discover America, Leaf Erickson did, but Leaf Erickson didn't discover America either the Indians did, true!!!!

Truthfully now didn't you ever talk in class? I know you must have what teenager doesn't talk in school, what fun is school if you don't talk once in awhile even if I do talk constantly. I can recall someone telling me that in Spanish class when you were in high school you used to lean back and and have the girl behind you translate for you. I really think that was a very good idea and I would never thought of it so you must be used to being a regular guy if you could do that.

Seriously now, I know that I should not talk in school but you should know that sometimes you just get carried away and have to say something to someone in the class about something very important, I realize that you may be having a very hard time trying to get used to teaching instead

of being a student as you have been for the last sixteen years, (that's a long time you Know) so I know I should be half-way decent to you seeing as it is your first experience teaching. You must realize that for me it is very difficult not to talk too since I have been talking since I was about two years old and getting used to not talking takes a long time. Even if I have been going to school for twelve years now I still have not learned to shut my big mouth. I will try to be quiet as long as possible and if I don't keep quiet just tell me to shut up, and I will and I won't get mad at you for telling me because I know that I should be quiet and Pay attention in class so that I will learn something in school and not be dumb all my life.

In order to learn anything you must pay attention and not talk i class so that you will graduate ad be able to go on to college and someday maybe be able to go out and earn a living on the knowledge you have gained in school.

Please excuse the typing and mistakes and foolishness of this composition but I could not think of anything else to say.



**HARD AT WORK**—Mr. Francis McKeon, custodian at the College takes time to give us a friendly smile.

## S. N. E. A. Activities

The Student National Education Association has launched into a busy orbit. Among its many accomplishments so far this year are doubled membership over last

year, and the starting of a scholarship for worthy students. Highlighting its first meeting this year was Mr. Joyal who spoke on Cambodia. Plans for the future include a dance in January, a poster contest for school children in April, and aid to underprivileged children.



**GIRLS GLEE CLUB** — A new organization has been formed within the choir. The Girls Glee Club under the direction of Miss Norton will perform for the first time at the Christmas concert today.





Santa has finally finished his Christmas shopping.

## Santa Listens To All . . .

The following letter to Santa contains many secret requests of the student body. Since Santa receives every publication of the ACORN at the North Pole, we are sure that the fulfillment of these wishes will be at the top of his list.

Dear Santa,

Please bring the students at W.S.C. the following requests:

**A passing mark in Economics** — Senior Elementaries I and III . . . Please bring me a doll (boy, that is). If you do, I will believe in you forever—F-1 girl . . .

I want a new brain — this one doesn't seem to work—Michael O'Connor F-6 . . .

All I want for Christmas is a **Summer date** — **Paul Sundstrom** S-8 . . . We hope Santa will help **Sandy of Jr. El. II** to take care of her many "Bills . . . Bills . . . Bills" . . . I want a ghost! — **Carolyn Paquette** S-3 . . . **Betty Briery** of Sr. El. I wants motivation . . .

We want **Mr. Mullen!** — F-3 girls . . . I want a wild flower collection — **Kathy Weir** Sr. El. IV . . . Sr. El. IV wants recognition and reconsideration . . . Please bring me a book entitled **How to Prepare a Unit** (with units included), 1 Art Book, 1 pitch pipe, 5 packages of typing paper, and 10 days to rest—**Jr. El. II** . . . **Lee Hamelin** (S-6) doesn't believe in Santa, therefore, he won't receive anything . . . **Susan Achorn** wants a permanent pass to Fort Devens . . . **R. J. Braz** wants a **parking place on Friday mornings** . . . **Patty Sullivan** wants June to come . . . The girls in F-1 want the boys from F-2 in their section . . .

**Please give Marie of F-8 a whip so she can collect class dues . . .**

A winning night at the races for **Sophomore Richie Coleman** (I promise to split with Santa) . . . **Gerald Poulin** wants a "surprise" package — about 5'4", twenty years old, etc. etc. . . . **Sophomore Six** would like a **Moebius Strip**, a **Venn Diagram**, and a second hand copy of **The House of Seven Gables**. If it is not possible to obtain these things, we will gladly settle for a package of corn plasters . . . Please send a big puppy dog to **Carolyn F. of Jr. El. II** . . . **Mary Ann Deletti** would like a phone call and **not** from Santa . . . **Charlie Dix** would like instant art reports . . . **Skeet Bositis** wants a pogo stick . . . **Mrs. Gribbles** would like one pair of track shoes . . . The entire student body wishes an early Christmas present — vacation to start **today!** . . . **Lenni Krals** would like a snow covered mountain with private chairlift . . . **John Reno, Matt Ryan, and Bill Rossetti** all want "dolls" for Christmas . . . **Barbara Debs** would like a one way ticket to U. Mass. . . . **Mary Ann D.** would like a crash helmet . . . **Pat Lucas** wants a black corvette from Connecticut . . . And last but not least, an anonymous "requester" would like ten minute classes and fifty minute breaks!

Thank you, Santa.

## The Origin of Christmas Customs

### The Yule Log

The custom of bringing in the Yule Log was originated in England during medieval times. As the log was brought into the great hall at the start of the Christmas feast, a Christmas toast was rendered. Part of the toast is: "This Yule Log burns. It destroys old hatreds and misunderstandings. Let your envies vanish, and let the spirit of good fellowship reign supreme for this season and through all the year."

### The Hanging of Stockings

This delightful custom began with the Dutch. Because they felt that their St. Nicholas Day gifts should be hidden and disguised as much as possible, they placed their presents in their wooden shoes. The Dutch brought the custom to America when they settled in New Amsterdam. With the years, the custom of putting gifts in wooden shoes was replaced by the use of stockings.

### Carol Singing

Carol singing was first observed in the 5th century in England, and has continued ever since. "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace, good will toward men"

which was sung by the angels in the heavens, was the first Christmas Carol. St. Francis of Assisi was the first to make the carol popular. It is the layman's most beautiful contribution to his religion and is sung at Christmas in all the churches of the world.

### Bayberry Candles

Candles have been placed in windows to light the Christ Child's way and to welcome wayfarers on Christmas Eve. The use of the Bayberry Candle is a North American custom. It originated in colonial New England.

### Holly Wreaths

Holly wreaths are used at Christmas because the plant is associated with the Crucifixion. It has long been believed that the crown of thorns was made from branches that bore white berries which turned red after the Crucifixion.

### The Indoor Christmas Tree

The evergreen, as a decoration in celebration of Christmas, was not used until the time of Martin Luther. While wandering through the woods one Christmas Eve, he came upon a small, snow-laden fir tree. He brought it home for his children and placed lighted candles on its branches to represent the stars.



**CHRISTMAS IN DR. MORRIS'S ROOM** — Each Christmas the students in Dr. Morris's Geography class portray Christmas around the world. This is a scene from one of last year's projects. This year the Senior Elementaries are working to make the display even better.





## Gelding Team Lead M. A. A.

As the M.A.A. Bowling League entered its sixth week of competition, Mike Mealey remains one full point ahead of runner-up Rick Kruczynski in the battle for high average.

Mealey, of the Trotters, leads the league with an average of 103.3. Kruczynski, of the Colts, has blasted the pins at a 102.3 clip. Despite their heroics, however, their respective teams are well back in the team standings.

The Geldings, composed of Bill Swidler, Joe Volpe, Joe Zaparaskas, and Judson Rhodes, have a 21-3 record and that is good enough for top spot. In second place are the Thoroughbreds, Bob Lirange, Rick Martens, Wayne Army, and Jim Hogan, with a 16-8 slate.

Kruczynski changed positions with Mealey in the race for high Triple, 336 to 330. Behind them is Bob O'Conner with 319.

Swidler's 131 tops the contenders for high string. O'Conner takes second in this category with 127 and behind him is Joe Volpe with a high single of 125.

### Scholarship

The M.A.A. has still not definitely determined what will be necessary to win the \$100 scholarship. The feeling is strong to award it to the league's leading bowler. This scholarship, incidentally, will come from Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Mack, owners of the Twentieth Century Alleys where the bowling quite naturally takes place.

### Averages

Following is a list of the bowlers who have bowled in more than nine strings:

Mike Mealey	103.3
Rick Kruczynski	102.3
Bill Swidler	100.9
Bob O'Conner	98.9
Paul Pappas	98.2
Bob Latino	97.8
Ed Fontaine	97.4
Joe Volpe	96.8
Bill Lynch	96.6
Bob Lirange	96.6
Rick Martens	96.3
Gerry McCarthy	96.3
Charley Dix	94.5
Wayne Army	93.9
Rich Coleman	93.3
B. Stalilonis	93.1
Joe Zaparaskas	91.8
B. Idone	91.5
Judson Rhodes	90.8
Rich Grady	90.6
Will Dufour	90.2
Dick Bernier	90.2
John Burke	88.3
B. Shea	88.0
C. McCarthy	86.6
J. Hogan	85.0
Dave Dillon	84.7
Ed Banks	83.9
R. Nicholson	82.1
M. Roy	80.2
Joe Buckley	79.9

## IT'S GREEK TO ME!

How do you say "Merry Christmas" in some of the world's languages?

Here is how:

German	Froehliche Weihnachten
Dutch	Gelukkig Kerstfeest
French	Joyeux Noel
Italian	Buon Natale
Spanish	Felices Pascuas
Roumanian	Sarbatori Fericite
Greek	Kala Christouyenna
Arabic	Miladun Said
Russian	Rojestvom
Polish	Wesolych Swiat
Scandinavian languages	God Jul
Finnish	Hauskas Coulua

Portuguese	Feliz Natal
Hungarian	Boldog Karacsony
Japanese	Kurimasu omedeto
	gozaimasu
Malay	Selamat hari natal
Chinese	Gung ho sheng tan
Czech	Vesele Vanoce
Hawaiian	Mele Kalikimaka
Serbo-	
Croatian	Sretan Bozic
Samoan	Manuia Le Kelisimasi
Gaelic	Nodlaig Sona Duit
Icelandic	Gledileg Jol
Flemish	Gelukige Kersimis
Afrikaans	Geseende Kersfees

## IN THE YEAR 2000

What will the U.S. be like by the year 2000. A recent government report predicts:

- A 30-31-hour work week.
- Month-long paid vacations
- Government spending up three and a half times, especially in

education, urban renewal, mass transit.

- Three times the number of automobiles.
- 71% of the population (350 million) in urban areas.
- 60% of the families with earnings over \$10,000 per year.

Weekend cross-country trips.



# Dr. Sullivan Discusses Controversial Book

## Editor's Note:

The following article, written by Dr. William L. Sullivan, points out the inaccuracy of many of the reviews of Dr. Conant's **THE EDUCATION OF AMERICAN TEACHERS** with respect to his views on Teachers Colleges.

Dr. Owen B. Kiernan, state commissioner of education, said in his speech to the ninety-first annual meeting of the Worcester County Teachers Association (1963), "The responsibility for awakening America rests with ourselves. As good as a program is, it cannot sell itself."

It has become almost a national pastime to condemn professional education in America. With fatiguing regularity an endless stream of articles and books denigrating education courses and teachers colleges has poured from various information media. This derogatory attitude is now so stereotyped that it has become a kind of conditioned reflex: any mention of education courses or teachers colleges automatically brings a negative response.

This stereotyped reaction has become so ingrained that many reviewers of James Bryant Conant's **The Education of American Teachers**, simply repeat hackneyed phrases without including the very obvious fact that Dr. Conant does have some good things to say about teachers colleges. Such a conclusion would be inaccurate.

The following paraphrased excerpts from **The Education of American Teachers** (New York: McGraw-Hill Company, 1963) indicate that Dr. Conant has some favorable comments to make on teachers colleges; comments which seem to be ignored or overlooked by many reviewers. (Dr. Conant uses the term **teachers college** to apply to any institution whose dominant purpose is the education of teachers.)

## The Teachers College Versus the Liberal Arts College as a Type."

"Nothing revealed by a close study of institutions designed as 'teachers colleges' as compared to those designated as 'liberal arts'

colleges, justifies a sweeping assertion that one type of institution consistently give the student a better education than the other. The belief that 'liberal arts' colleges provide more 'breadth and depth' than teachers colleges rests essentially on general requirements, subject specialization, or both. My investigations have convinced me that this is simply not the case. The time devoted to education courses in teachers colleges, and in teacher-preparation programs in multi-purpose institutions, is not taken away from academic requirements; rather, the courses that are displaced are electives, and such elective courses also give way in a 'liberal arts' college that prepares students for certification. Thus one would be quite mistaken to believe that a student necessarily gets a better academic education in one or another type of institution." (Page 77).

## Degree Requirements in Teachers Colleges and Liberal Arts Colleges

"... let us look at the general requirements for the bachelor's degree in a number of American institutions representing a variety of types.

"I shall include, for the sake of those readers who may harbor lingering doubts about the relative adequacy of programs in teachers colleges as compared to those of 'liberal arts' colleges, examples of general academic requirements demanded of all students for the bachelor's degree in both types of schools. . . . I established a list of 20 institutions of the prestige category . . . In what follows I shall compare these institutions with 10 institutions usually considered primarily teachers colleges." (Pages 85-86).

—Dr. Conant discusses the degree programs in the above colleges and then draws the following conclusion—

"... I have taken time to discuss the diversity of general requirements among our colleges to show the folly in assuming that because a young man or woman hold a bachelor's degree from a so-called liberal arts college or university he will necessarily have greater 'breadth' in his educational background than a graduate of a teachers college." (Page 90).



Smile everyone! Christmas vacation is here. For some, vacation is blissful relaxation and the addition of some luscious calories, while for others it means long hours at the library, struggling over term papers. Before we all pack our bags and books to leave, however, let's take one last look around the W.S.C. campus in 1963. The newest tradition at the College is "pinning" the girls with the College pin. Among the pioneers of this tradition-to-be are **Maryann Mielinski** —**Brian Holly** and **Jean Plante** — **John Flannery**. . . .



**SANDRA LOTTI**  
Number Twenty

December sixth was the day! The **Juniors Elementaries** received their first taste of teaching. How do you feel now — encouraged or dis-

## Spanish Club Celebrates Epiphany

On January 10, 1964, at 2:00 P.M. in room 208, the Spanish Club will celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany. The main feature of this program will be the presentation of a play entitled "Auto de Los Reyes Magos." Following this play there will be Spanish food and dancing, both Spanish and Latin American style.

All members are cordially invited and new members will be able to join at this program.

couraged? . . . Without effort there is no reward . . .

Jr. El. Maureen Reynolds promises faithfully as her New Year's resolution that she will begin her speech lessons . . . Why is June such an important month to many Senior girls? . . .

Add to the growing senior list: **Mary Mullaly** is the nineteenth senior to be engaged, and **Sandra Lotti** is number twenty. More to come after Christmas vacation? . . . Jr. Sec. **Jeanne Gravel** is engaged to **Bruce Pease** (Class of '63) . . . **Quote of the month:** The Stone Age, to a girl is about 20. The bigger the stone the better. . . .

Word from the maternity circle is that two seniors **Robert LaRocque** and **Dave Dillion** are expectant fathers . . . Many of the seniors are busy looking for a job or applying to graduate school . . . **Support** of our basketball team is greatly needed—tonight they take on Rhode Island State at our gym . . .

Representing the Kappa Delta Pi honor society at a national conference held at Purdue University this spring will be treasurer, **Mrs. Joanne Alinovi**—rumors have it that that she will be flown there by jet . . .

**Overheard in the lounge:** "If you think your junior year is rough you just wait until you become a senior." . . . A liberal selection of credit cards will fatten a wallet, for a time . . .

Now that we have cleared up these few important items, we can all look ahead with eager anticipation to Santa's coming.

## MERRY CHRISTMAS

From the Acorn Staff.

## He Gives . . .

He gives

To men, women, and children all;  
To everyone He gives again.  
He answers every call;  
Not one is voiced in vain.

He gives

When winter winds are wet with snow  
And darkness fills the sky overhead.  
He lights the way to go  
For warmth, a sheltered stead.

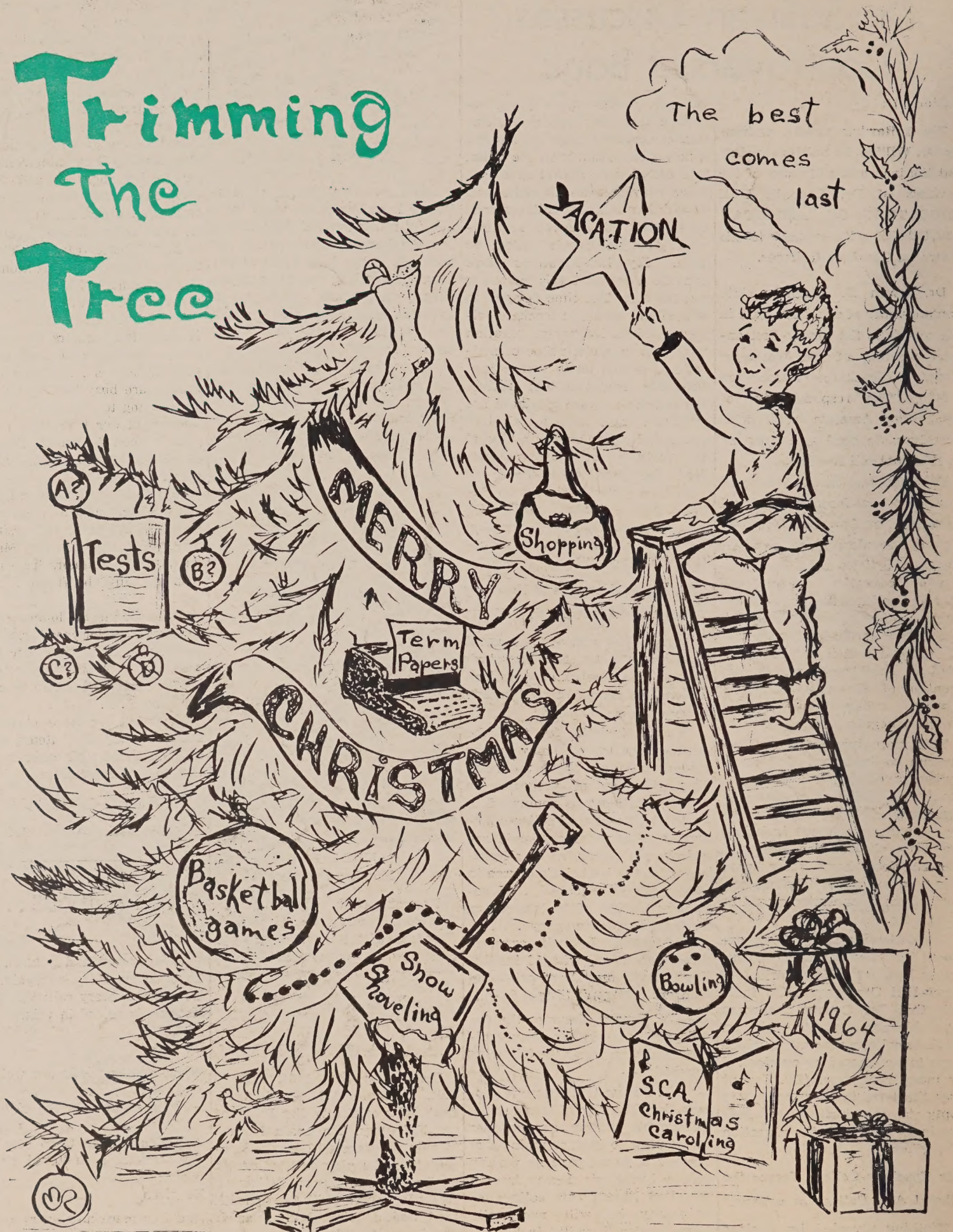
He gives

And fills mankind's every need.  
Without reserve, no thought of self,  
He gives that which we plead.  
He gives us of Himself.



# Trimming The Tree

The best  
comes  
last



Mary Rogers